Jefferson Ruritan Glub



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MAY ALL HAVE A FESTIVE HOLIDAY SEASON MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

JEFFERSON'S VETERANS' MEMORIAL

DEDICATION

Sun., Nov. 17, 2013



Despite a chilly day, a nice crowd was on hand for the unveiling of the first Veterans' Memorial in Jefferson, MD. Under the direction of *Jay House*, chair of the citizenship & patriotism committee, the impressive memorial was given appropriate recognition as it was unveiled. It

was truly a community event. The Ruritan Club should be proud of its most recent contribution to the community.



A combined choir of the three town churches was on hand to add to the celebration. Congratulations to all who assisted in bringing this project to a reality. Stop by as you enter the grounds of our Center and appreciate the work completed, as well as extending thanks to our vets who served us well.

Pavers to recognize a loved one who served can still be purchased. Contact Jay House if interested. A form can be obtained in info box just inside front door to Center.



ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EVENT:

BUTCHERING





A lot of work goes into a butchering. It takes a lot of man-hours. However, it has been a long time project that many enjoy. The fellowship is great, and yes, we do make money from the project. Currently, preliminary results show a net profit of \$1400 plus. However, the hams that we cure have a value of around \$3500.

We need to get ready for using some of our hams from previous butchering (upcoming banquets at Center, as well as the Feb. community supper). Thus, mark down the following dates and try to make yourself available to assist:

- Boning Hams at Hemps on <u>Tues., Dec.</u> <u>17, 2013</u> starting at 6:00pm
- Cooking hams at Ruritan pavilion on Wed., Dec. 18, 2013 starting at 6am

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

-Just received word that BETTY ROGERS, wife to a longtime club member Jim Rogers passed away last week. She had put up a battle against cancer, but now is in comforting hands of God. Jim and Betty have been residing in FL for the past few years. Pastor Papp of the Jefferson UMC announced that a memorial service will be held for Betty in the near future. I will keep all informed as to details. Keep Jim in your prayers as he mourns the death of his loving wife.

-Club birthdays (December): Josh Allison, Bill Brown, Lee Bussard Jr., Dean Harper, Hen Lakin, Jim Lindley, Jim Morgan, Bill Six, Joe



Stine & Juan Stull

-HEALTH NOTES....Keep the following and others in need in your thoughts and prayers as each face health challenges:

- Those members who are residing outside their home: *Richard Grove* (Tranquility) *Joe Long* (Homewood).
- Bill Brown, Roy Comer, Luther Hargett, Hen Lakin, Sherman Reeder, Brick Remsburg, Charlie Smith and others

-2014 Club dues can now be paid. Dues are \$100, which includes meals. Associate membership dues are \$40 (pay for meals whenever attending a dinner meeting)

JEFFERSON RURITAN IN THE PAST

50 Years Ago-December 1963

- -Stafford Kline installed the 1964 officers
- -Cash balance on hand was \$774.73 / 82 members on roll
- -Next butchering scheduled for Jan. 10 and 11 25 Years Ago December 1988
- -Bob Handley awarded \$25 for recruiting most new members in 1988 (3). He donated the money back to the club.
- -Installation of 1989 club officers conducted by District Gov. Van Lee

MEMBERSHIP DINNER MEETING

Wed., Dec. 18, 2013 7:00pm – Dinner

INSTALLATION OF 2014 OFFICERS

PROGRAM

Christmas Carols led by Chiz and Evelyn Summers

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CLUB

 Award contract to complete interior painting of Center to Sam Pearson at a cost of \$2800. (Two bids were rec'd with Sam's being the better of the two.
 Project to take ten days to complete)

BOARD UPDATES

- Agreed to change "Operating Procedures" whereby funds collected from food sales at public sales be transferred to club's general operating fund instead of scholarship fund. (Currently, the scholarship fund is healthy but our general operating funds are in need of beefing up for future projects)
- Finance Committee will be scheduled in near future to meet to discuss future fundraisers

We are in banquet season at the Center. Contact Richard Greenawalt if you would like to assist with the preparation and/or serving at banquets. The banquet committee can always use additional hands.



Past/Present District Governors attending the Dec. Cabinet meeting at Cozy in Thurmont. Recognize any of these people?



RURITAN DISTRICT & NATIONAL UPDATES

- <u>Sat., Jan. 11, 2014</u> is the first cabinet meeting of 2014. It is being hosted by Johnsville Ruritan Club. Cabinet meeting starts at 10am, followed by luncheon. Cabinet officer training will occur after lunch. NOTE: Any new club officer who needs training can attend the 12:30pm training session. Contact *L. Cassell* if planning to attend this event.
- -Ruritan National Convention will be held <u>Jan.</u> <u>23-25, 2014</u> in Branson, Missouri. If interested, see me.
- -Add't date/time for club officer training has been scheduled for Wed., Jan. 29, 2014, hosted by State Line Ruritan Club. It will start at 6:30pm (no meal provided). ALL club officers should receive training, either at past convention, online through Ruritan.org, or at one of the make-up training sessions as noted. -Annual District Presidents' Night will be held at our Center on Sat., Feb. 1, 2014. Dinner will be served at 6:30pm followed by program. A sign-up sheet will be available at our Dec. meeting for those interested in attending.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Tues., Dec. 17 (6pm) Boning hams at Hemps
- Wed., Dec. 18 (6am) Cooking hams at Center's pavilion
- Wed., Dec. 18 (7pm) General membership dinner meeting
- Tues., Jan. 7 (7pm) Board of Directors' meeting
- Wed., Jan. 15 (7pm) General membership dinner meeting
- Thurs., Jan 30- Sat., Feb. 1 Butchering

JEFFERSON RURITAN CENTER SCHEDULE

December

- 12 4H meeting
- 13 **Banquet Canam**
- 14 **Banquet Morris**
- 16 Boy Scouts / Brownies
- 18 Club Membership Dinner Meeting
- 20 Private Party
- 21 JVFC Party
- 23 Boy Scouts
- 30 Boy Scouts

January

- 4 Private Party
- 6 Boy Scouts
- **7 Board of Directors' Meeting**
- 9 4H Meeting
- 13 Boy Scouts
- 15 Club Membership Dinner Meeting

Orders for the Feb. 1, 2014 butchering are being accepted. Prices same as last time, as well as phone numbers used to place order

NO SPEAK ENGLISH



A German woman married an American gentleman born in Virginia and they lived happily ever after in his home town. The poor lady was not proficient in English, but did manage to communicate with her husband. The real problem arose whenever she had to shop for groceries.

One day, she went to the butcher (Hemps?) and wanted to buy chicken legs. She didn't know how to put forward her request, so, in desperation, clucked like a chicken and lifted up her skirt to show her thighs. Her butcher got the message and gave her the chicken legs.

Next day she needed to get chicken breasts. Again she didn't know how to say it, so she clucked like a chicken and unbuttoned her blouse to show the butcher her breasts. The butcher understood again and gave her some chicken breasts.

On the 3rd day, the poor lady needed to buy some sausages. Unable to find a way to communicate this, she brought her husband to the store....

What were you thinking?

Her husband spoke English....helloooo!